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## TESTIMONIALS

IN FAVOUR OF

# MR W. T. CAMPBELL, CANDIDATE

FOR THE

SITUATION OF GOVERNOR

TO THE

TOWN'S HOSPITAL.



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From Professor James Thomson.

GLASGOW COLLEGE, Jan. 22, 1844.

Mr W. T. Campbell having informed me that he means to be a Candidate for the Governorship of the Town's Hospital in this City, I feel much pleasure in stating, that, from what I have learned regarding him, I have every reason to believe that he is exceedingly well qualified for such a situation. I know most of the persons who have given certificates in his favour, and I consider them to be highly respectable, and to be persons on whose testimony great reliance may be placed. I have also had letters from private friends, which speak in the most favourable terms of his general character, and of his fitness for a situation of the kind.

JAMES THOMSON,

Professor of Mathematics.

From the REV. HENRY COOKE, LL.D., Belfast.

Belfast, 16th Jan., 1844.

I have known Mr William T. Campbell during several years, and I believe him to be a man of sound sense, steady principles, and most regular business habits. His character as a man of worth stands high with all who know him; so that I do not know any one who could obtain higher recommendations to a situation requiring a trustworthy Manager. As he is now a Candidate for a situation in the City of Glasgow, I feel great pleasure in certifying, that I believe his amiable dispositions, joined with firmness of purpose, would render him both an acceptable and most useful superintendent of any public Institution.

H. COOKE.

From the Rev. R. J. Bryce, LL.D., Principal of the Belfast Academy.

Belfast Academy, 17th Jan., 1844.

My dear Sir,—I wish it were in my power to give you any effectual assistance in your present endeavour to obtain the situation of Governor of the Hospital in Glasgow. Your activity, your business talents, and your benevolent anxiety for the welfare of the humbler classes of society—all which qualities you have manifested very strikingly in your endeavours to revive the Mechanics' Institute of this town—fit you eminently for the office. Born among and associating with the highest classes, you have nevertheless manifested, at all times, that unfeigned respect for every being possessed of an erect countenance and an immortal soul, which is the surest proof of a sound understanding, and a really amiable disposi-

tion. It too often happens that men, whose birth is above their pecuniary means, attempt to make up for a deficiency of fortune by an extra assumption of stateliness. There is nothing for which I admire and respect you more, than the perfect contrast which your whole demeanour affords to all affectation of this kind.

Should the Electors make you the object of their choice, they will place over the objects of their charitable care, a Governor, whose perfect respect for himself will secure the respect of those he must rule over; and who, in his treatment of those confided to him, will unite the bland and courteous manners of a true gentleman, with the discretion of a man of sense, and the benevolence of a real lover of his fellow-men.—Wishing you every success,

I am, my dear Sir,

Yours very truly,

R. J. BRYCE.

From the Directors of the Belfast Mechanics' Institute.

Mr WILLIAM THOMAS CAMPBELL has acted as Secretary of the Belfast Mechanics' Institute for nearly five years, during which time he acted with great zeal and attention, and always took a great interest in the welfare of the Institution. The Directors take this means of testifying their approval of his conduct.

Signed, by order of a meeting of the Directors, at a meeting held on the 16th January, 1844.

JOHN BOYD, CHAIRMAN.

From James Bryce, Jun., A.M., F.G.S., Belfast Academy.

Belfast Academy, Jan. 17, 1844.

Dear Sir,—Permit me to introduce to your notice my friend Mr W. T. Campbell, of this town. He is Candidate for the situation of Governor of the 'Town's Hospital,' in your City; and, from my long acquaintance with him, I can say, with confidence, that I know no one who would suit this situation better. Strong practical sense, a sound judgment, promptitude and energy of character, an amiable temper, and gentlemanly bearing, are important requisites for the government of others. Mr Campbell possesses all these. And then, with respect to less important matters, Mr Campbell has such a practical acquaintance with book-keeping and accounts, and the management of the monetary affairs of public Institutions, as would eminently qualify him to discharge the duties of the office efficiently in this department.

As to integrity and trustworthiness, I need say nothing. Mr CAMPBELL's position in society, his high place in the affections of his friends, and the estimate formed of him by his fellow-citizens, are sufficient recommendations.

If you can in any way promote Mr Campbell's views, I need not say how much you will add to the many obligations you have already conferred on,

Yours ever faithfully,

JAMES BRYCE, Jun.

Rev. Dr. King.

From the Rev. J. Stein, Belfast.

ROYAL INSTITUTION, BELFAST, 17th Jan., 1844.

Mr William Thomas Campbell has informed me, that he purposes to be a Candidate for the situation of Governor to the Poor's House of the Town's Hospital of Glasgow. I can recommend him strongly for sterling integrity, business habits, and gentlemanly manners. I have been intimately acquainted with him for several years, as the Honorary Secretary to the Mechanics' Institute of this town, and in the conscientious discharge of the duties of this situation he has been most zealous and indefatigable.

So far as I can judge of the requisites for filling the situation aright to which he aspires, I regard Mr Campbell perfectly qualified; and, if elected, I have no doubt that he will discharge the duties of his responsible situation, with great credit to himself, with perfect satisfaction to the Electors, and with advantage to those placed under his care.

J. STEIN,
Math. Master.

From Professor John Stevelly, Belfast Royal College.

Belfast, Jan. 17, 1844.

Dear Sir,—Having been informed that it is your intention to apply for the situation of Superintendent of an Hospital in Glasgow, I beg to say that you have my warmest wishes for your success. In my opinion, your active frame, both of mind and body, your correct and gentlemanlike deportment, your straightforward uprightness of principle, and your orderly business-like habits, pre-eminently qualify you

for such a situation; and although I shall regret, should you be successful, that a return to what may be called your native country, will deprive your friends here of the pleasure of your society, and the advantages of a near intercourse with you; yet, if it be for the advantage of your family, I cannot but rejoice.

Believe me to be, with the sincerest wishes for your welfare here and hereafter,

Yours very truly,

#### JOHN STEVELLY,

Professor of Natural Philosophy, Belfast Royal College.

From Thomas Andrews, M.D., Professor of Chemistry, Belfast Royal College.

I have known for some years Mr W. T. CAMPBELL, and feel confident that his general character and qualifications would enable him to discharge with efficiency the duties of the situation for which he intends to become a Candidate.

#### THOMAS ANDREWS, M.D.

From John Bates, Esq., Town Clerk and Solicitor, Belfast.

Belfast, 17th Jan., 1844.

I beg leave to say that I have known Mr WILLIAM THOS. CAMPBELL for several years, and that I have reason to entertain the highest opinion of his integrity, religious principles, energy and talent. I consider him remarkably well qualified for the appointment about to be made as Governor to the Town's Hospital, "Poor's House," at Glasgow.

JOHN BATES,

Town Clerk and Solicitor, Belfast.



